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## **SCA Board of Directors MINUTES**

May 16, 2018 10:00 AM

Tukwila City Hall, Conferencing Center  
6200 Southcenter Blvd, Tukwila

### **1) Call to Order**

Vice President Leanne Guier called the meeting to order at 10:07 AM.

Members Present: Leanne Guier, Jeff Wagner, Dana Ralph, Hank Margeson, Bruce Bassett, Nancy Backus, David Baker, Debbie Tarry, Amy Ockerlander, Jim Ferrell.

Members Absent: President Amy Walen, Ed Prince, and Catherine Stanford.

SCA Staff Present: Deanna Dawson, Caitlin Magee

### **2) Public Comment**

Vice President Guier asked if any member of the public had any public comment. Seeing none, this portion of the agenda was closed.

### **3) Consent Agenda**

**Jeff Wagner, Covington, moved, seconded by, Amy Ockerlander, Duvall, to approve the minutes of the April meeting. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.**

### **4) President's Report**

Vice President Guier provided a report. Mayor Leanne Guier, Pacific; Councilmember Bruce Bassett, Mercer Island; and Mayor David Baker, Kenmore, attended the Seattle Chamber Intercity Study Mission in Denver. Mayor Baker commented on the excellent quality of speakers at the conference. Councilmember Bassett commented on the positive and beneficial experience of developing connections at the conference.

### **5) Executive Director's Report**

Director Dawson provided a report. She reminded Board members that the retirement party for Renton City Manager Jay Covington will take place on Saturday, May 19, 2018. SCA will be recognizing Jay with a plaque for his many years of service to the cities of SCA.

Dawson provided an update on recent payroll errors with Paychex which has delayed the April Financial Report. The Finance Committee will meet prior to the next Board meeting in June, at which time an up to date financial report will be provided.

Dawson mentioned that the Bylaws and Board Policies Committee will have their first meeting on Monday, May 21, 2018.

Dawson informed the Board that SCA is in the process of purchasing new computers to replace outdated equipment.

Dawson reminded the Board that the next Networking Event will be on May 30, 2018 featuring Washington State Attorney General Bob Ferguson in Kenmore. Dawson reported that the Events Committee met and came up with a list of questions for the Q&A portion of the agenda and welcomed the Board to submit any questions that would like to be included. Dawson encouraged Board members to reach out to their constituents in Snohomish County and encourage them to attend the Networking Event.

Dawson reported that the September 2018 SCA Networking Event will feature a Legislative Preview rather than a Legislative Recap as has been held in past years. The City of Bellevue has asked to host the September Networking Event and is willing to cover additional expenses beyond normal costs. Board members were supportive of this request. Dawson noted that the Events Committee discussed which legislators to invite to the September Networking Event. Dawson asked Board members to submit the names of any legislators they would like to invite to speak at the September Event.

Dawson presented the idea of recognizing retiring legislators who had been particularly strong voices for cities at the SCA Networking Dinner in September or at the Annual Meeting in November. Board members agreed that Representatives Judy Clibborn and Joan McBride should be honored at the September event.

**Jeff Wagner, Covington, moved, seconded by Amy Ockerlander, Duvall, to approve honoring retiring legislators Judy Clibborn and Joan McBride at an SCA Networking Event. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.**

Dawson reported that Governor Jay Inslee was invited to be the featured guest at the 2018 Annual Meeting in November.

Dawson reported that Governor Jay Inslee and Secretary of State Kim Wyman announced that they have secured funding for 2018 statewide ballot return postage, but this funding excludes King County. Dawson had reached out to the Governor's Office to express dismay that King County cities would not be reimbursed for their costs. The Governor's Office did note that a request for funding for reimbursement would be made in the next legislative session. Members did not see value in pursuing the matter further at this time.

Dawson updated members on the King County Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan, and the recent SCA partner forum on recycling.

Dawson provided an update on the Land Conservation Initiative. SCA was informed that there will be an additional two cents added to the Parks Levy which is up for renewal in 2019 to fund the initiative. This item will be brought to the Public Issues Committee in June. Board members discussed the Parks Levy and asked for additional information to be provided.

## **6) PIC Chair's Report**

Vice President Guier and Director Dawson reported on the May 9, 2018 PIC meeting.

Vice President Guier reported that the PIC Nominating Committee made a recommendation to PIC on an appointment to the Domestic Violence Initiative Regional Task Force. PIC recommended that the Board approve appointing Des Moines Councilmember Traci Buxton to the Member seat and Enumclaw Councilmember Anthony Wright to the Alternate seat on the Domestic Violence Initiative Regional Task Force.

**Leanne Guier, Pacific, moved, seconded by Hank Margeson, Redmond, to appoint Des Moines Councilmember Traci Buxton to the Member seat and Enumclaw Councilmember Anthony Wright to the Alternate seat on the Domestic Violence Initiative Regional Task Force. There was no discussion. The motion passed.**

Dawson reported that there was pre-PIC workshop on the Affordable Housing Task Force. Councilmember Hank Margeson, Redmond, reported on the Pre-PIC workshop discussion.

Dawson reported on other topics discussed at the May PIC meeting including a discussion on the EMS Levy, the Sewer Rate and Capacity Charge Proposal, an update on Future Levies and Ballot Measures, and Upcoming Issues. There was an informational item on the Medicaid Transformation Project.

Director Dawson provided an update on upcoming Pre-PIC Workshops which include a training by Ann Macfarlane of Jurassic Parliament in June and an update on PSRC Vision 2050 in July.

Dawson reported on the One Table regional initiative. SCA will be putting together a briefing on the homelessness analysis related to local homelessness investments and services produced by consulting firm McKinsey & Company.

Dawson reported that a small working group will be put together to evaluate the structure of All Home. Board members agreed that Director Dawson should participate in the process on behalf of SCA. Dawson asked Board members to provide feedback and recommended changes from city staff on the structure of All Home.

## **7) City Manager/Administrator Report**

Debbie Tarry provided a report on the May 9, 2018, 2018 City Managers & Administrators meeting. A presentation on the Buildable Lands Law was presented by King County Demographer and Buildable Lands Coordinator Chandler Felt. King County Assessor John Wilson gave a presentation on the taxpayer transparency tool and increase in property taxes.

## **8) Discussion Items**

Director Dawson provided a report on the success of the SCA Partner Forum on recycling held on April 27, 2018. Dawson also reported on a meeting with the Master Builders Association to host a forum on affordable housing.

Dawson provided an update on the Regional Economic Development Alliance (REDA). REDA has filed papers for incorporation and is conducting a search for a CEO. Dawson provided an update on private and public organizations that have contributed funds to REDA. SCA has not yet reached the \$50,000 contribution amount and will continue to seek funds from member cities to secure a seat on the REDA Executive Board. Dawson asked the Board for recommendations on who should represent SCA on the REDA Board.

**Jeff Wagner, Covington, moved, seconded by Amy Ockerlander, Duvall, to appoint Mayor Nancy Backus, Auburn, to the Regional Economic Development Alliance Executive Board. There was no discussion. The motion passed.**

Mayor Jeff Wagner, Covington, acknowledged the success of the SCA Partner Forum on recycling.

Dawson referred to the Board Retreat Summary report that is included as a recurring monthly item.

Dawson reported on the SCA leadership meeting with King County Executive Dow Constantine. Topics discussed in the Executive Committee meeting focused on the One Table regional initiative, behavioral health, and land use issues.

#### **9) Upcoming Events**

A list of upcoming SCA events was included in the packet.

SCA will host a Networking Dinner on Wednesday, May 30, 2018 at the Inglewood Golf & Country Club in Kenmore, featuring Washington State Attorney General Bob Ferguson. The next PIC meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 13, 2018 at Renton City Hall. The next Board of Directors meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 20, 2018 at Tukwila City Hall.

#### **10) For the good of the order**

Mayor Amy Ockerlander, Duvall, reported that the City of Duvall appointed a new Councilmember at their meeting last night.

#### **11) Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned at 12:08 PM.